

**TEST – 9 (Textbook)**  
**( INSTA Prelims Test Series 2021 )**

**46. Consider the following statements with reference to Ancient India.**

1. An aghraha land was granted to a Brahmana.
  2. Aghraha lands were usually exempt from paying land revenue to the King.
- Which of the above is/are correct?

A. 1 only                      B. 2 only                      C. Both 1 and 2                      D. Nonepeople.

**47. In Ancient India, Masattuvan and Satthavahas were**

A. Merchants                      B. Ploughmen                      C. Gold keepers                      D. Medicine men

**48. Arrange the following events chronologically.**

1. Chinese pilgrim Xuan Zang comes in search of Buddhist texts
2. Shaka rule in the North-western region of Indian subcontinent
3. Invasion of Alexander from Macedon
4. Reign of Ashoka

**49. Epigraphia Carnatica was**

A. a journal of south Indian inscriptions                      B. the seal of the Asiatic society  
C. a Dravidian language manuscript                      D. a sculpture discovered at Badami caves

**50. This Upanishad contains a list of successive generations of teachers and students, many of whom, such as Manduka, were designated by metonymies. It is**

A. Taittiriya                      B. Brihadaranyaka                      C. Katha                      D. Chandogya

**51. The famous Mandasor inscription records the history of a guild of silk weavers who originally lived in Lata Gujarat from where they migrated to Mandasor. The inscription was found in the state of**

A. Rajasthan                      B. Madhya Pradesh                      C. Punjab                      D. Maharashtra

**52. Sanskrit texts and inscriptions used the term *vanik* to designate**

A. Landless labourers                      B. Vedic priests                      C. Manual scavengers                      D. Merchants

**53. Consider the following about the famous Shalabhanjika motif or sculpture.**

1. The only Shalabhanjika sculpture in India has been discovered at the Sanchi Stupa.
  2. The motif mentions that many people turned away from Buddhism owing to its nihilistic underpinnings.
- Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A. 1 only                      B. 2 only                      C. Both 1 and 2                      D. None

**54. Arrange the following chronologically in the order in which they appear in Indian history.**

1. Ashtadhyayi of Panini                      2. Natyashastra of Bharata                      3. Charaka Samhita and Sushruta Samhita
- Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A. 123                      B. 321                      C. 213                      D. 132

**55. According to Jaina teachings**

1. The cycle of birth and rebirth is shaped through karma.
2. Asceticism and penance are required to free oneself from the cycle of karma.
3. Monastic practice is necessary for salvation.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A. 1 only                      B. 2 only                      C. 1, 2 and 3                      D. 1 and 3 only

**56. Consider the following statements.**

1. Uttaradhyayana Sutra is a Buddhist sutra from Sutta Pitaka.
2. Therigatha is a collection of verses, composed by Buddhist bhikkhunis, which forms a part of Sutta Pitaka.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A. 1 only                      B. 2 only                      C. Both 1 and 2                      D. None

**57. Which of the following is/are some major Buddhist sites in the Indian subcontinent which were either associated with Buddha's life or contain major Buddhist inscriptions/sculptures/viharas/caves?**

1. Nagarjunakonda                      2. Junnar                      3. Karle                      4. Amaravati

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A. 1 and 4 only                      B. 2, 3 and 4 only                      C. 1, 2 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**58. Consider the following statements.**

1. The Ashokavadana is a 2nd CE text related to the legend of Ashoka.
2. The Ashokavadana was translated into Chinese by the Chinese traveller I-tsing.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A. 1 only                      B. 2 only                      C. Both 1 and 2                      D. None